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Student Senate to create “textbook task force”

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Winona State University’s Student Senate wants to create a textbook affordability task force for this school year. This task force would advocate for textbooks to be available for students to check out for their

General Education classes, and also work for lowered textbook costs. The motion for Senate stated that the task force was a necessity to Winona State students because the cost of textbooks “pose a burden to Winona State University students,” and “comprises a large sum of students expenses.”

The motion went on to state that studies link high textbook prices to hindered academic success, and faculty members should be aware of the stress that buying course materials can put on students’ budgets. Janae Mann, a senior marketing and pre-law major, is the chair of the task force.

“As chair, I chair the meetings and keep the group on task,” Mann said. According to Ben Ellgen, president of Student Senate, the intention of this motion is to create the task force.

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Warriors demolish Minot State

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This week, Winona State University celebrated its annual homecoming week. Throughout the week, the university provided plenty of opportunities to engage and have fun celebrating the occasion. To create excitement for homecoming early in the week, students were able to create their own Winona State pillow. The homecoming court coronation ceremony took place Sunday, Oct. 6, where Janae Mann and Jack Simms were crowned royalty. During the ceremony, the finalists from the talent show were judged by the audience and were eligible to win cash prizes. Tracy Rahim, the associate

director of student activities & leadership, was impressed by the performances. “I thought they were very talented students,” Rahim said. With Monday, Oct. 7 also being the beginning of midterm week, study kits were handed out, as well as a yoga activity being hosted outside Somsen Hall, with about 40 students attending. Tuesday began with yard games for students to participate in the Phelps lawn including powder puff football, bean bags, letter golf and giant Jenga. On Wednesday, homecoming royalty handed out free slushies to about 500 people. That evening, “Yesterday” was screened on the videoboard at the football field. Thursday was the College of Business Alumni Engagement Day, where business alum engaged with current students and faculty in a



Landon Jacobson scores a touchdown in the second quarter with an unexpected one-yard run. The Warriors beat the Minot State Beavers 49-3 at the Altra Federal Credit Union Stadium on Sunday, Oct. 13.

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variety of activities and shared professional experiences. Other events on Thursday included black light dodgeball, nine square and mini golf. Friday, there was a club fair and pep fest, both of which were moved inside due to weather, which included President Scott Olson serving as a speaker. There was also an Athletic Hall of Fame banquet where Terra Halron (softball), Zach Malvik (basketball), Lisa Dobie (volleyball), Kathryn Krueger (soccer), Wade Bergner (track & field and Cross Country) and Brian Hynes (football) were inducted. Friday night ended with a Warrior networking event where students could network with alumni. The entirety of Homecoming week culminated into the events

held Saturday morning at Winona State, beginning with the Warrior Waddle 5k. The Homecoming parade was next on Saturday’s agenda, bringing both university and community members to line down Huff Street, and was immediately followed by the Homecoming Warrior Game Day Experience, which ran until the Winona State volleyball game against Augustana University. The Warrior football game was moved to Sunday due to inclement weather for Minot State University, who were traveling from North Dakota. Overall, homecoming was affected by the low temperatures but there was still a show to go on and Winona State made the best of it. *Continued on page 2, Homecoming.*



Members of Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity host their annual “Smash The Stigma” car smash philanthropy on Friday, Oct. 11. Sig Tau was one of many clubs to host events during the week of Homecoming.

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Winona State hosts “The Big Day”

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On Oct. 9, Winona State University students, alumni, friends and donors came together to make a difference for the second-annual giving day, also known as “The Big Day.” Throughout the week, university-wide initiatives were highlighted on their personal GiveCampus pages, the online crowdfunding website used to increase awareness. The campus’s multimedia content manager Alex Courier, as well as the MarComm department, worked with each department to shoot footage and create a personalized representation of each initiative. Having the crowdfunding online also reduced the need for people to be physically present on campus to

participate in the event, according to Kayleen Berwick, Winona State’s annual giving coordinator. The featured initiatives this year included experiential learning in the College of Liberal Arts, international perspectives with the College of Business, student research opportunities in the College of Science and Engineering, WSU Foundation initiatives and scholarships for student athletes. Berwick worked with Matthew Ohs, the assistant director of annual giving, to create this idea in the summer of 2018 with the first giving day happening that fall. One of the main concepts for this day is the “Power of Experience.”

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Profile on a third-generation Warrior

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For every Winona State University student-athlete, there is a sense of home within the campus grounds. However with junior wide receiver Tyler Anderson, the connection runs a little deeper. “Winona State to me just means a second home, basically, both school-wise and football-wise,” Anderson said. “It’s a place where I have a lot of connections, and feel comfortable here, and feel like I have people around me to support me if I need it, or just be there for me with whatever I need. It’s a place where being away from home isn’t hard for me.” Not only did both of Anderson’s parents go to Winona State, along with several other family members,

but his grandfather, Larry Holstad, served as Winona State’s athletic director from 1997-2012. Holstad was known for his dedication and determination toward Winona State, undergoing projects such as the Integrated Wellness Complex. “He’s my grandpa, and just listening to him tell stories and you really understand how hard it can be to get stuff done or make improvements and stuff like that at a university,” Anderson said. “So for a lot of the stuff he did, like for example, building the IWC, stuff like that, that’s, you really appreciate it. And it’s pretty special to see that and know that the person who did that you know so closely. That’s a cool connection.” *Continued on page 7, Anderson.*

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The Winona State Warriors head off-field after a group huddle before the game. The Warriors faced the Minot State University Beavers on Sunday, Oct. 13 for Winona State’s Homecoming game. The Warriors won 49-3 despite a day-delay of the game and 37-degree weather.

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One of the final events of the week was the football game, where the Warriors won in dominating fashion against Minot State University, 49-3.

Winona State was able to control all three phases of the game.

While the game taking place during homecoming could be viewed as one of the biggest games of the year, junior quarterback Owen Burke did not expect to prepare differently.

“With that being said, we understand how special this week is and how important this game is,” Burke said.

To start the game, junior receiver Jake Balliu would take the opening kickoff 42-yards.

This setup a 27-yard touchdown pass from Burke to Balliu to take the early lead.

The Warrior defense also got started by making a statement, getting a turnover after senior defensive back Romario Gayle got an interception.

Five plays later, junior Sam Santiago-Lloyd would run in a 15-yard touchdown to extend the lead to 14.

After a punt by Minot State the Warriors would grind out another drive on the ground setup by runs by Santiago-Lloyd.

Junior running back Landon Jacobson finished the job by punching it in for the touchdown.

The Beavers would finally respond with a field goal, but that’s all the Warriors defense would allow all game.

Winona State’s offensive unit also did a good job of killing any momentum Minot State had, while Santiago-Lloyd running in another score making it 28-3 at half.

Winona State continued its dominance in the second half, where they forced another turnover when junior Jack De Groot recovered a fumble.

A big catch and run from Santiago-Lloyd led to another Balliu touchdown catch.

The Warriors got back-to-back touchdowns on the next offensive possessions, including a 49-yard touchdown pass by senior backup quarterback John Rumpza.

Neither team would score in the remainder of the game.

Santiago-Lloyd led the team in rushing with 98 yards on 14 carries for two touchdowns.

The defense’s dominance in only allowing three points was especially noteworthy despite missing key veteran starters in juniors Isaiah Hall and Devin Moore.

They were led in tackles by junior defensive back Richard Azunna with eight.

Next week, the Warriors will go back on the road to face Bemidji State University, kickoff will at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct 19.

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Wide receiver Ethan Wittenburg rushes the ball downfield amidst a play against the Minot State Beavers for the 2019 Homecoming game. The game was delayed until Sunday, Oct. 13 due to weather.

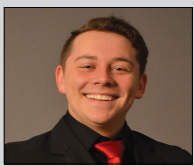
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Left to right: Arina Maharjan and Samina Sherchan, international students at Winona State, stand by the photo booth at the Club Fair on Friday, Oct. 11 in Kryzsko Commons.

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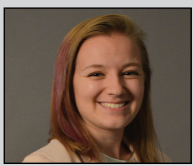
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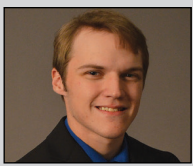
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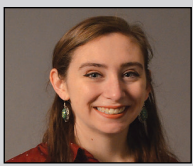
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“[After creation] the task force will look to explore different opportunities to create that positive change for students,” Ellgen said. “I’m confident that there is opportunity for both working with faculty and exploring new technologies.”

Ellgen said he is excited for the opportunities a new task force could bring to the university.

“This is something that has been floating around for a long time,” Ellgen said. “Previous to this year, there was a textbook task force. This is the number one issue we hear about from students.”

Student Senate does not have the authority to create a task force.

“That is actually a job for the president’s office. It’s the same for all university committees,” Ellgen said.

This motion was passed to the president’s office where Scott Olson will meet and confer with other university officials for final approval on the task force.

“President Olson and his cabinet will approve our task force charge, which officially creates the force,” Mann said.

If approved this school year, it will be the fourth year of the task force.

The task force aims to have representatives from a variety of departments on campus.

“The Textbook Task Force is meant to bring together the different decision makers to develop plans to pursue more affordable textbook alternatives. We aim to have representatives from the library, bookstore, faculty, students, TLT, and administration sit on this task force,” Mann said.

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Students clean up Winona

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Every year, Winona State University students spend the morning after homecoming activities helping clean up the surrounding area as part of Winona State’s annual “Clean Sweep.”

Kendra Weber, director of student and community engagement, said the goal of this event is to bring the community back to how it was before homecoming.

Those participating met at the gazebo in the middle of campus where supplies such as garbage bags and t-shirts were passed out to the volunteers.

Groups split off, going around campus and throughout the city picking up trash, most of the trash being there before homecoming.

The volunteers were allowed to drop off bags of trash on specific streets. These trash bags were then picked up by the City of Winona’s sanitation workers.

This event is highly encouraged to all students, but what makes up the biggest number of participants in the sweep are clubs.

UPAC, Delta Sigma Pi (DSP), Circle K, Student Senate and others all participated on Sunday to help bring the community back to what it was.

Vice President of Community Service for DSP, Elizabeth Schamber, spoke out on the fraternity’s involvement with the clean sweep.

Prior to this year, DSP has not participated in the clean sweep.

“I thought that this would be a good way for the fraternity to get involved with other organizations and the community,” Schamber said.

Alumni donates new campus letters

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Giant “WSU” letters have been put up outside of Phelps Hall by the gazebo, as a gift to Winona State University by alumni Bill Koutsky.

Koutsky, a former student, graduated in 1975 with a degree in speech communications. After working several different jobs, Koutsky later returned to Winona State where he worked in in the facilities department for about 12 years. He retired in 2013.

The letters were entirely Koutsky’s idea. He wanted Winona



Winona State University students Jordyn Stasiak (left) and Aly Tracey (right) pick up trash during the Winona State Homecoming Clean Sweep, a post-homecoming initiative to clean up the streets surrounding campus. Stasiak and Tracey volunteered with The National Society of Collegiate Scholars, an honor society in which they both are active members.

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Weber started this event six years ago when she first arrived at Winona State. She said it is important, to her, for the campus and community to have a good relationship.

As students work their way through the campus and community, they have adopted silly traditions to help pass the time, ‘Who can find the weirdest thing?’ being one of those traditions.

During the entire sweep participants worked their way to the VFW in town. At the end of the

sweep snacks and beverages were provided as a thank you.

With this event in the back of the community’s head, it helps a lot when Winona State and the community work together. Especially during homecoming everyone agreed that they want the students to have a fun time as long as they are conducting themselves in respectable manners.

State to have a photo op destination that could be shared across social media. They were a surprise for the campus and the community.

Koutsky serves the community through various clubs and organizations, and is an honorary member of the WSU Dance Society for his on-going support though his scholarships for the WSU theater, music and dance programs.

In 2015, Koutsky was honored with Winona State University’s Distinguished Service Award as a part of the university’s Homecoming celebration.

Debra Block, director of development, described Koutsky’s current

Warrior pride.

“He bleeds purple. If you have a conversation with Bill, you will end up talking about how wonderful WSU is ... he is a Warrior through and through,” Block said.

Much thought was put into where the best spot for the WSU letters would be on campus.

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CRIME AND SAFETY REPORTS

Monday, October 7	Tuesday, October 8	Wednesday, October 9	Thursday, October 10	Friday, October 11	Saturday, October 12	Sunday, October 13
5:25 A bike was stolen from the bike rack between Lourdes and Maria Hall. The incident was referred to the Winona Police Department.	2 a.m. A liquor law violation occurred in the form of minor consumption in Morey-Shepard Hall. The violation was referred to Residence Life.	No Incidents	9:06 a.m. A Winona woman reported her left rear car window was broken over night.	5-6 p.m. There was damage to property and leaving the scene after an accident in the Integrated Wellness Complex parking lot.	12:30 a.m. A liquor law violation occurred in Lourdes Hall. The incident was referred to Residence Life. 9 p.m. A drug law violation occurred in Richards Hall and was referred to Residence Life.	No Incidents

Letters

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Assistant Vice President for Facilities James A. Goblirsch took part in the selection process for the location of the letters.

There were several other places that were considered for the location of the letters including the lawn in front of Somsen where smaller letters were placed initially. The main area around the library, Minné and Kryzsko were also looked at, but there was not a seemingly good spot in these areas.

This ultimately led to the location the letters stand now, in front of Phelps Hall by the gazebo in the center of campus.

“We wanted to put them in a prominent location on campus that had a good backdrop ... Phelps being a historic building is a nice backdrop,” Goblirsch said.

Goblirsch also said the letters are right along the graduation processional walk, which provides a great opportunity for pictures for Winona State graduates.

Winona State not only wanted the letters in a prominent location,



The new “WSU” letters were placed in the center of campus outside Phelps Hall at the end of September. They can be found right next to the gazebo in the middle of campus.

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but they also wanted them to be enjoyed by everyone. This is what led them to tear out the grass and place sidewalk there instead.

“We wanted to have a place that was fully accessible so that everybody could stand around it ... that’s why we put them on a new piece of sidewalk,” Goblirsch said.

First-year, Morgan Schaefer,

nursing major agrees that the location of the letters is a perfect spot on campus.

“Everybody gets to see them because they walk through right by the gazebo,” Schaefer said.

Goblirsch said he believes that the letters are a great addition to campus.

“It’s something that has a sense

of playfulness to it and it’s a nice student experience and public experience to have on campus,” Goblirsch said.

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Horoscopes | Week of October 16 | By: Shannon Galliard

Libra (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)
You may have made some mistakes recently. Don’t let these keep you down!

Scorpio (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)
You may be scared to do something today. Make peace with this fear so you can move forward!

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)
Treat yourself today! You deserve nothing but the best.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)
Figure out what is best for you today. Your current work style is not helping you.

Aquarius (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)
You may have been feeling off balance recently. Take time to conserve your energy.

Pisces (Feb. 19 to March 20)
You are going to come into some money today. Save it!

Aries (March 21 to April 19)
Be more accepting today. Saying “yes” can benefit you more than you know.

Taurus (April 20 to May 20)
You may lose a relationship today. Take this as a good thing, it will help you grow.

Gemini (May 21 to June 20)
Find a new hobby today! It will help keep you from feeling stuck.

Cancer (June 21 to July 22)
You may have trouble making decisions today. Just take your time and think things over.

Leo (July 23 to Aug. 22)
Get out of your comfort zone today! It will help you in the future.

Virgo (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)
Get rid of that unnecessary weight on your shoulders today. You have carried it for too long.

Inclusive Excellence Strategic Plan debuts

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Winona State University’s Inclusive Excellence Committee has implemented the Inclusive Excellence Strategic Plan this academic year.

The plan was created to celebrate diversity and to help the environment of Winona State be more inclusive for all students.

Jonathon Locust, associate vice president for inclusion and diversity, said the plan aligns with the university’s strategic framework.

“[The] larger university strategic framework [consists of] five components, inclusive excellence is one of them,” Locust said. “It addresses things such as recruiting and retaining diverse populations, how are we marketing what we say we truly value and just some things that make it more inclusive for everyone, regardless of how you

identify.”

The Inclusive Excellence Strategic plan consists of four main components that will take place 2019 - 24.

The plan was formed based on data collected from various groups.

One way the data was collected was from the campus climate survey, Locust said. The survey consisted of several issues surrounding the climate around the university, and how students felt about them, Locust said.

According to Locust, the information that was collected from this survey was used to form the plan. Data was also collected from a series of yes or no questions that were developed from the system and different people from all around the university answered them regarding diversity programs on campus.

The student and faculty population at the university is diverse and

accommodations must be met for a majority of those groups.

For those with auditory issues, the university has the means to provide closed captioning on all media, according to Locust. The goal is to make all things accessible for those diverse populations.

The plan also helps to educate students on inclusion and diversity.

“By participating and interacting with inclusion and diversity, it helps us with our fulfillment of becoming global citizens but also prepares us for the real world,” Locust said. “We know the United States and the world is becoming more diverse, you want to be prepared to be able to interact and talk with more people from different backgrounds.”

Denise McDowell, vice president for enrollment management and student life, said conversations about inclusion and diversity need to take place in order for change to

occur.

“[There is a] gender-neutral living community this year in our resident housing as a result of some of the conversations we were hearing from some of our students saying, ‘I need a comforting place, I need a welcoming place for me’. That living community was created to address that concern that impacts students,” McDowell said.

One goal of the plan is to work toward becoming a more welcoming and inclusive environment for all students.

“For all of us, if we have a sense of loneliness and being alone, we start feeling like, am I an imposter. Do I really belong here?” McDowell said. “But the moment I find a group that affirms my humanness, and says I see you, I see you not only as a human being, I see you as a person.”

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Homecoming parade shows off wild side of campus

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Homecoming is a time for students, community and alumni to come together and celebrate what makes them wild, Warrior Spirit.

This year’s homecoming theme was “Wild with Warrior Pride” and to embody the spirit of “Wild,” what better way to celebrate than marching through the streets of Winona with Winona State clubs, teams and community members.

This year’s annual Homecoming Parade took place on Saturday, Oct. 12 at 10 a.m. on Huff Street, and made its way from Broadway to Mark streets.

Megan Weilandt, junior mass communication advertising major is head of the homecoming parade committee this year.

“The Homecoming Parade is like a typical parade with walking units, vehicle units and floats,” Weilandt said. “However, it is unique because its focus is clubs and organizations at WSU with some community organizations here and there.”

Following this year’s theme of “Wild with Warrior Pride” the homecoming committee asked that groups participate in the theme while in the parade.

“We have three to five judges placed along the route to rate the groups on, creativity, perceived effort, and adherence to the theme/school spirit,” Weilandt said.



Members from Winona’s Chi Alpha ministry shout in excitement on the back of a truck during the 2019 Winona State Homecoming parade. The parade exemplified Winona State’s Homecoming theme, “Wild with Warrior Pride.”

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Not only does it follow theme and spread spirit amongst the parade and crowd, a prize was involved as well.

“The top 3 units receive a prize for their club of \$150 for first place, \$100 for second place, and \$75 for third place,” Weilandt said.

Following theme, Hailey Seipel, junior majoring in English: applied & professional writing, embodied this year’s theme with her club Her Campus in multiple ways.

“We’re going to be wearing animal-print clothes and handing out Zebra Cakes to the kids, we even glued googly eyes onto the packages to make them come to life,” Seipel said.

Many clubs make it tradition to walk in the parade, while for some clubs this was the first year they tried it out.

“This is our very first year walking in the parade as a club, so we couldn’t be more excited to participate,” Seipel said. “We are walking this year because we value immersing our club into the community, not to mention it’s a great opportunity for us to show how proud we are to be Warriors.”

Weilandt said that showing off Warrior Pride is important for many clubs and organizations on campus making the parade a hit year after year for students, the community and alumni.

“We have 39 clubs, sports teams and organizations from

WSU signed up. We also have 11 community entries, as well as 15 others for a total of 65 units,” Weilandt said.

The homecoming parade offered a fun, safe event that all students, staff, alumni and the community could come together and show off their wild Warrior Spirit.

“Homecoming means coming together and supporting the different groups represented in the community and on campus, ranging from our sports teams to our clubs to our local businesses,” Seipel said. “It means showing our Warrior Pride for everyone.”

Big Day

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Within the “Power of Experience” campaign, there are three areas of focus for fundraising: Laird Norton Center for Art and Design, College of Business Engaged Learning Endowment and the Stadium Renovation.

“The campaign will provide resources and state-of-the-art space to cultivate impactful student experiences,” Berwick said.

To her, the three projects also embody opportunity for transformation that is supplemental to what goes on in the classroom, which will impact all Winona State students and faculty.

For Charla Miertschin, dean of the college of science and engineering, “the Big Day” was important to help establish a fund for student travel and research,

which is a large part of the college’s curriculum.

“[Research] projects are expensive, so this fundraising day is an opportunity for us to see how we can better support our students,” Miertschin said.

There is also a hope that the fund would allow grant-sponsored work where students would get paid for their research over the summer.

Students helped by this fund would be able to participate in research presentations at national and international meetings.

Miertschin described the flow of donations from alumni to students as synergistic.

“We hope [the alumni] understand their funds will be an investment in the futures of those students who are on the receiving end, so that one day, the students will pay it forward also.” Miertschin said.

Eric Schoh, the director of athletics, said he sees student-athlete scholarships as a great reason for people to give.

Schoh also said that “engaging our alumni” in donations is important because those funds are becoming a vital part of what they are doing in athletics.

With 14 Divison II sports, nine womens’ and five mens’ programs, the goal is to “graduate champions.”

“We hope every student’s experience is a positive one as we’re able to give outstanding people a degree in something they’re passionate about and providing them with an opportunity to compete for a championship,” Schoh said.

Rita Rahoi-Gilchrest, the associate dean for the college of liberal arts, said their goal for the giving day funds is to promote civic engagement and learning.

Because this is the first time the giving day was made university-wide, Rahoi-Gilchrest expressed

her excitement with the campaign.

“Being able to put out information about what the college is doing has brought out people who say they miss WSU. Giving day has helped increase responses and let us know we are on the right path.” Rahoi-Gilchrest said.

Funds for the college will be put toward internships and other events to benefit the students.

As a last word from Berwick, she shared the importance of giving days for the university.

“At the end of the day, knowing you and so many other members of the WSU community pitched in to make a difference for students and education is a powerful sensation.” Rahoi-Gilchrest said.

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THIS WEEK IN WINONA

Wednesday, October 16	Thursday, October 17	Friday, October 18	Saturday, October 19	Sunday, October 20	Monday, October 21	Tuesday, October 22
National Fossil Day	International Music Series	Winona State University Choir Concert	Careers, Conflicts, and Callings Film Series	Live Music: Chris Rude	Great River Reading Series: Laura Jean Baker	Free Climb Sugarloaf
12:30 - 4 p.m. - SLC Atrium	6 p.m. - Robert A. DuFresne Recital Hall	7 p.m. - Central Lutheran Church	7 p.m. - Miller Auditorium	1 - 4 p.m. - Elmaro Vineyard	7 p.m. - Miller Auditorium	4. - 7:30 p.m. - Sugarloaf Bluff
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Netflix film in review: “In the Tall Grass”

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If you want to watch a scary thriller film that will make you think, I do not recommend *In the Tall Grass* directed by Vincenzo Natali, unless you are ready to watch a cult thriller that has too many plot points that don’t intersect well.

It focuses on a field of tall grass that makes the characters get lost once they step in. The characters could be heard close by and then heard as extremely far away without moving a step. The grass was controlled by a large rock in the middle of the field and if the characters touched it, all their sins would be washed away.

The film has a similar take as *Children of the Corn* did with using children and religious ceremonies in a field. Except this film failed to give any context or answer as to



The Winonan’s film reporter rates “In the Tall Grass” 2/5

why this random rock has spiritual powers as well as what it grants to the people who touch it.

What made this film different from most thriller or horror films is that a lot of the film is shot during the daytime. The daylight worked up to a point, but it does hinder the audience from staying in suspense as most horror films set their scenes, where the scary parts of the film are in the dark.


The director utilized all parts of the day for the purpose of thrilling the audience. What also made the film have that creepy feel were the transitions and dutch angle shots. Each transition closed up on a certain part of the grass or eye of some character and then switched fast to a different scene, which had the audience on edge.

The dutch angle shot used had the camera turn 360 degrees to create a creepy otherworldly feel to the scene. This type of shot is used in many thrillers or horror films, so you can expect to see this type of shot in other films like this. Even at the start of the film, a zoomed in

version of the character is shown to already put the audience on the edge of their seats.

I did appreciate that the cast was mostly unknown. This does help the audience escape into this world the director created. This allows the film to become more believable as the characters seem to actually be in this certain situation. It makes the horror or thriller more entertaining and dramatic, but also allows the audience to not see an actor or actress they love be maimed or killed horrifically.

After seeing this film, I would give it a 2/5. This is because, yes, the transitions were great and the use of mostly unknown actors and actresses was a great idea, but the concept of the film was just really hard to understand. The parts that were meant to be thrilling just grossed me out and also didn’t make a lot of sense.



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Sexual assault advocates express budget cut fear

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With all the changes in response to sexual assault within the past 10 years, many considerations have been made for how survivors can heal from trauma.

However, a forgotten group of people have to deal with budget shortages, long hours, secondary trauma and burnout: the advocates for sexual assault survivors.

With the \$600,000 in grant money Winona State University has received in the past six years, about \$63,000 of it has gone to employ peer advocates, who are paid \$10 an hour.

These advocates are trained by the Women’s Resource Center of Winona. Students take a class and must complete at least 45 hours of specialized training in order to be considered a trained advocate. This includes everything from listening to guest speakers to practicing phone calls in the classroom.

From there, these students work to educate, prevent sexual assault and work with those who have been assaulted. Emma Severson, a social work major and trained advocate, explained how much they do.

“As an advocate, I hold the 24/7 confidential helpline that

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- Janet Miller, sexual assault advocate

we display all over campus,” Severson said. “It also serves as a way to help those who are victims get the right resources they need. I also give many presentations around campus about bystander intervention, consent, and the forms of gender-based violence.”

However, because of the traumatic nature of their jobs, trained advocates are at greater risk for burnout and secondary trauma.

Janet Miller, whose name has been changed to protect her identity, was also a trained advocate and carried out the same duties as Severson.

“Being an advocate is physically, mentally and emotionally exhausting, and often results in

burn out and secondary trauma,” Miller said. “This isn’t due to a fault or weakness in the advocates. It’s a common symptom of being in a helping profession that regularly deals with trauma.”

Severson agreed, stating that it is even more difficult walking around campus, knowing that the people she sees in class or at the gym could be going through such a traumatic process of sexual assault or domestic violence.

“It is also hard when you know that not every victim will get the justice they deserve. Fighting the system is hard and exhausting,” Severson said. “To prevent it, I debrief with my co-workers a lot. We have an extremely tight-knit

crew at the RE Initiative and I would not be able to still be doing this without them.”


With the new budget cuts and potential discontinuation of the grant money which has funded most of the advocate training, more and more stress can be placed on advocates as they start to figure out what to do if money is taken away from their program.

Though Miller’s experience was difficult, she has faith that it can change for the better for advocates.


“I don’t think there was a strong understanding among the leadership of what it was like to be in the advocate role,” Miller said. “I think if there was better communication among all levels of the organization, especially pertaining to the needs of the advocates, then maybe some simple oversights that added unnecessary additional stress could be avoided.”

The National Voice of Domestic Violence offers tips for self-care for advocates, and they agree with Severson that debriefing with fellow advocates can be exceptionally helpful. They also recommend spending time with loved ones, finding a way to disconnect from work, being gentle to yourself in times of stress and even seeing a therapist.


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Golf reflects on current season

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As the Winona State University men’s and women’s golf teams come to the midpoint of the season, the teams recap their successes and struggles so far.

Head coach Jeff Straight said prior to the season that the men’s golf team are eyeing redemption this season.

“We have been on the doorstep to win conference, we won conference last year and we were 10 shots from going to nationals, so we are on the door.”

With the team starting off the season with a boost at the Watkins Invitational, getting first out of 15 teams helped set the tone for the season.

Placing from then on with getting fifth at the Super Regional Preview, second at the Ronnie Eastman Invitational and fourth at the Holiday Inn Express Invitational.

It is also worth noting that junior Brady Madsen has repeated as NSIC Men’s Golfer of the Week.

The women’s golf team is going into the season wanting to improve and enjoy golfing.

First-year Toni Baldwin touched on the team’s goal earlier in the season.

“Our team goal is to just play to the best of our abilities, and to really have fun and be relaxed while we play. Everyone on this team is hardworking and capable,” Baldwin said.

Starting the season placing fourth out of 10 teams at the Tracy Lane Memorial event, the first outing of the season.

Despite the women’s team placing 20 out of 22 at the Midwest Classic, they ended up placing ninth out of 14 at the Golden Bear Classic, fourth out of 12 at the SMSU Ramada Mustang Invite, and won the duel against Viterbo University.

The Winona State women’s golf team have the ATU Fall Invitational in Russellville, Arkansas, Monday, Oct. 21 and Tuesday, Oct. 22.

The Winona State men’s golf team have the National Championship Preview in St. Albans, Missouri, Monday, Oct. 14 and Tuesday, Oct. 15 and the Battle For The Belt in Hot Springs, Arkansas, Monday, Oct. 21 and Tuesday, Oct. 22.

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Tom Sawyer, the head coach of the football team and somebody who worked closely with Holstad, says he sees some of those qualities in Anderson.

“Well, I think the similarity really is in their work effort,” Sawyer said. “Tyler Anderson is a workaholic. I mean that guy lifts as much as anybody. He does all the things right. He doesn’t get in trouble. His academics are important to him.”

Holstad, like Anderson’s father Chad, were also both members of the Warrior football team.

However, his family was not the reason he chose Winona.

“I always wanted to come here, but I was never going to come here if I felt like the coaches didn’t want me,” Anderson said. “I just wanted to feel wanted and appreciated, so when the coaches made that obvious to me during the recruiting process, it was an easy choice to choose Winona.”

Anderson is hopeful that he can leave behind his own legacy and, right now he’s doing a solid job.

This season he has proven to be a vital part of the team’s offensive success with 11 receptions for 159 yards and one touchdown.

“I just, I want people to remember me for who I am and what I’ve done,” Anderson said. “I



Tyler Anderson, a junior from Forest City, Iowa, is a wide receiver for Winona State University. Anderson is a third generation Warrior.

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don’t want people to think of me as the old AD’s grandson or a kid who just came here because his dad and grandpa played here. I want people to remember me for who I am and what I do on the field, and just be my own person basically. Whatever memory I leave, I hope it’s a good one.”

Distinguishing himself as his own individual does not mean he has not used some of the wisdom from his grandfather.

Anderson said that one of the important things he’s learned from Olstad is to “just try to make

everything the best it can be.”

“That’s something he told me when I was a lot younger, and I think he’s actually been quoted in a newspaper before saying that,” Anderson said. “But whatever situation it is, whether it’s class, football, life, anything, there’s going to be things that you can’t control, and it’s up to you just to make it the best you can be and just try to.”

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Cross country preps for conference championship

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The Winona State University men’s and women’s cross-country teams wrapped up their regular season last Saturday as they competed in the Lewis Crossover meet.

“(The Lewis Crossover meet is) the biggest D II meet in the country over at Lewis University; there will be roughly 35 teams there. Also, the quality there, there’s at least five nationally ranked womens’ teams and there are 11 nationally ranked men’s teams,” Coach Zach Kughn said. “So, we are talking about the biggest meet in the country as far as the level of competition.”

The men and women faced this meet head on as the women finished 11th out of 36 teams, and the men finished 28th of 34th teams.

As they prepare for the conference championship, Kughn touched on the surprises and highlights of the season.

“Biggest surprise on our women’s side would be one of our freshmen in Nikki Kelley. She was certainly a decent high school runner, but she had an awesome summer, really just paid attention to detail,” Kughn said. “Right off the bat at our first meet at Augie, she was our number two runner, and leading up to that in most of our work outs she was around the 10th to 15th girl. So, for that race to be number two is a huge surprise, but then she continued to perform at that level so now it’s not a surprise anymore, we just know she’s good, so it’s been huge to have her.”

On the men’s side, sophomore Josh Jarpey has impressesd.

“He was our number one by the end of last season, but what it meant to be number last year

compared to this year is a lot different,” Kughn said. “He’s been really competitive with guys who are national caliber, so we don’t care what race we are in, he’s going to be a contender for the individual title.”

The constant mileage and hard work in practice seems to be worth the steps as both teams continue to improve.

As for the women, they have seen the top spot already once this season, which Kughn called the “highlight of the season”.

“They won in a pretty dominating fashion. We had five in the top nine and just having the tight pack we had,” Kughn said. “Our top four were only nine seconds apart so the top five spread was less than a minute, so that was pretty cool.”

The Warriors now prepare for their conference championship meet which takes place on Saturday, Oct. 26.

SPORTS THIS WEEK

Wednesday, October 16	Thursday, October 17	Friday, October 18	Saturday, October 19	Sunday, October 20	Monday, October 21	Tuesday, October 22
NO EVENTS THIS DAY	NO EVENTS THIS DAY	Volleyball - 6 p.m. at Northern State Univeristy	Football - 1 p.m. at Bemidji State University	Soccer - 1 p.m. at St. Cloud State University	Men’s Golf at Hot Springs, AK.	Men’s Golf at St. Albans, Mo.
		Soccer - 6 p.m. at. University of Minnesota Duluth	Volleyball - 4 p.m. vs. Minnesota State University Moorhead		Women’s Golf at Hot Springs, AK.	Volleyball - 6 p.m. vs. Concordia University, St. Paul
			Women’s Rugby - 4 p.m. vs. University of Northern Illinois			



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Volleyball rebounds after home loss

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Ranked 19th, the Winona State University’s womens’ volleyball team splits at home over homecoming weekend.

Friday, Oct. 11, Winona State endured their first home loss of the season against Wayne State College, and had their four-game win streak broken in four sets.

The Wildcats defeated the Warriors by scores of 25-18, 19-25, 25-16 and 25-16. It was a messy game where the Warriors recorded a season-high of 30 hitting errors.

However, on Saturday, Oct. 12 it

was a different story for the team when they outlasted Augustana University in five sets.

Winona State overpowered Augustana by scores of 21-25, 25-22, 25-16, 19-25 and 15-9.

After this weekend the Warrior team has matched last year’s record of 13 overall wins, improving to 13-3 overall and 5-3 in the NSIC.

Leading the way for the Warriors this weekend was junior Megan Flom and sophomore Paige Christopher with 43 and 19 kills respectively over both games.

Junior Bre Maloney was on her game, assisting her teammates 102 times over both matches.



Junior Megan Flom spikes the ball toward players from Augustana University during the homecoming game on Saturday, October 12 in McCown Gymnasium.

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Defensively for the Warriors, it was sophomore Madison Rizner who shut things down with seven blocks, and junior Becca Pagel was all over the court with 44 digs.

After spending their weekend at home, the Warriors will be back on the road this weekend taking on Northern State University and Minnesota State University Moorhead.

Looking forward the Warriors will take the court again Friday, Oct. 18 at 6 p.m against the Wolves., and then travel to Moorhead for a date against the Dragons on Saturday, Oct. 19

starting at 4 p.m.

Northern State and Winona State have gone back anf fourth in their previous four matchups, with each winning two.

Winona has a much more favorable matchup against Moorhead, who they have beaten in each of their last six meetings.



Left to right: Bre Maloney, Megan Flom and Paige Christopher get ready to block a hit during the game against Augustana University on Saturday, October 12.

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